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In re the application of: Yukihiisa TAKEUCHI and Kazuyoshi SHIBATA

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**REQUEST FOR PERSONAL INTERVIEW
PRIOR TO FIRST ACTION IN RCE**

Sir:

Applicants' undersigned representative hereby requests that Examiner Dougherty grant a personal interview prior to first action on the RCE filed contemporaneously herewith.

Although applicants do not agree with the Advisory Action mailed August 8, 2002, applicants are filing this RCE for the express purpose of allowing sufficient time to conduct a personal interview with Examiner Dougherty. Accordingly, Examiner Dougherty is requested to telephone applicants' undersigned representative upon receipt of this paper to schedule a mutually convenient date for a personal interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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